

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In response to the Examiner's comments, please amend the specification as follows. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

1. On page 1, at line 7, add the following:

COMPUTER PROGRAM LISTING APPENDIX

This application includes in a computer program listing appendix on DISC 1 containing the following computer program listings: Program 1 in file program1.txt, created on December 19, 2001 and containing 17 kilobytes.

2. On page 7, at line 12, add the following:

Figure 2 shows an embodiment of a conversion method according to the present invention.

Figure 3 shows an embodiment of a computing device according to the present invention.

3. On page 45, delete the text and computer listing beginning on line 8 and continuing through page 54, line 24, and replace this deleted text and computer listing with the following:

An example of a preferred embodiment of the present invention utilizes computer program 1, which is listed on an Appendix contained in the compact disc included in this Application.